

## AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, wherein the housing has a connecting side on which ~~lock-operating elements are~~ the handle (30) is arranged, and the shielding element is positioned between the at least one of the armature (51) and the electromagnet (50) and the connecting side.

3. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim 2, wherein the housing (10) is closed by a cover (20), and the cover (20) supports the shielding element on a side of the cover facing the housing interior.

4. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 3, wherein the shielding element is formed by a sheet metal plate having a wall thickness of at least 0.8 mm.

5. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim 4, wherein a portion of the electromagnet (50) supports is surrounded by a second shielding element.

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6. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim 5, further comprising a contactless switch (57) in the lock housing, wherein one of the armature (51) and the blocking element (52) supports a switching element which actuates ~~[[a]]~~ the contactless switch (57).

7. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 6, wherein one of the armature (51) and the blocking element (52) has a permanent magnet (56) as the switching element by which a change of the switching state of the contactless switch (57) which is a reed contact can be performed.

8. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim ~~[[7]]~~ 5, wherein a permanent magnet (53) is assigned to an end of the armature (51) that is opposite the locking element, which maintains the armature (51) in an opening state, a magnetic force is applied to the armature (51) by the electromagnet (50) which acts counter to a force of the permanent magnet (53), and a spring (55) is assigned to the armature (51) which in the open state applies a spring force acting in a closing direction to the armature (51).

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11. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, wherein the housing (10) is closed by a cover (20), and the cover (20) supports the shielding element on a side of the cover facing the housing interior.

12. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, wherein the shielding element is formed by a sheet metal plate having a wall thickness of at least 0.8 mm.

13. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, wherein a portion of the electromagnet (50) supports is surrounded by the shielding element.

14. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, further comprising a contactless switch (57) in the lock housing, wherein one of the armature (51) and the blocking element (52) supports a switching element which actuates [[a]] the contactless switch (57).

15. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 14, wherein one of the armature (51) and the blocking element (52) has a

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permanent magnet (56) as the switching element by which a change of the switching state of the contactless switch (57) which is a reed contact can be performed.

16. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim [[1]] 22, wherein a permanent magnet (53) is assigned to an end of the armature (51) that is opposite the locking element, which maintains the armature (51) in an opening state, a magnetic force is applied to the armature (51) by the electromagnet (50) which acts counter to a force of the permanent magnet (53), and a spring (55) is assigned to the armature (51) which in the open state applies a spring force acting in a closing direction to the armature (51).

17. (Currently Amended) A lock, comprising:

a lock housing and a bolt arranged in the lock housing, wherein the bolt can be shifted between an opened position and a closed position by a ~~closing~~ handle coupled with a rotatable locking element, wherein in the closed position rotation of the closing locking element can be blocked by a blocking element, and the blocking element is or is coupled with an armature of an electromagnet;

at least one of the armature and the electromagnet at least partially covered by a shielding element made of a low-retentive magnetic material, the shielding element arranged on or in the housing; and

a control device ~~which can be adjusted by~~ including a keypad assigned to the electromagnet and in which code information is storable which, in case of a renewed input and after being checked by the stored code information, is used for controlling the electromagnet.

18. (Currently Amended) The lock in accordance with claim

17, wherein a permanent magnet is assigned to an end of the armature that is opposite the locking element, which maintains the armature in the opened position, a magnetic force is applied to the armature by the electromagnet which acts counter to a force of the permanent magnet, and a spring is assigned to the armature which in the opened position applies a spring force acting in a closing direction to the armature.

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19. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 17, wherein the housing is closed by a cover, and the shielding element is positioned between the cover and at least one of the armature and the electromagnet.

20. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 17, wherein the shielding element is disposed around at least a portion of the electromagnet.

21. (Previously Presented) The lock in accordance with claim 17, wherein the shielding element shields the at least one of the armature and the electromagnet from magnetic radiation acting external of the lock housing.

22. (New) A lock, comprising:

a lock housing;

a bolt arranged in the lock housing;

a rotatable locking element in the lock housing, wherein the bolt can be shifted between an opened position and a closed position by a rotation of the locking element;

a handle connected to the locking element in the lock housing;

a blocking element in the lock housing, wherein in the closed position the rotation of the locking element can be blocked by the blocking element;

an electromagnet including an armature, wherein the blocking element is part of or coupled with the armature and can be actuated by the electromagnet;

a shielding element at least partially covering at least one of the armature or the electromagnet, the shielding element made of a low-retentive magnetic material arranged on or in the housing, wherein the shielding element shields the at least one of the armature and the electromagnet from magnetic radiation acting external of the lock housing.